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Remarks

Claim 1 has been amended, and claim 4 is canceled. As a result, claims 1-3 and 5-8 are now pending in this application.

This Response supplements the Amendment filed on September 6, 2002 and is intended to address the Examiner's comments in the Office Communication dated November 12, 2002.

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone. Applicant's attorney (612-373-6959) to facilitate prosecution of this application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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- 1. (Amended) A myostatin immunoconjugate comprising a [full length] mature form of vertebrate myostatin polypeptide linked to a carrier.
- 4. (Cancelled)

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